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From: Kumar, Ashij (EC)

Sent: Wed 6/15/2016 11:45:05 AM

Subject: RE: Vessel Annex in PRP; A10 US domestic activities needed

I edited your input and inserted the following under US Domestic Activities under A5's BW heading:

Through the Great Lakes Restoration Initiation, the United States supported the independent performance testing of ballast water systems for use in freshwater ecosystems. During 2013 to 2015, over 20 ballast water systems were tested at the Great Ships Initiative facility in Superior, Wisconsin. The Great Ships Initiative (www.greatlakesinitiative.org) mission is to accelerate research, development and implementation of effective ballast water management systems (BWMSs) on board commercial vessels that visit the Great Lakes region from abroad.

Also, on the A10 call yesterday it was noted the US domestic activities under the Science chapter was missing. I'm not sure exactly when we'll be officially "exchanging" chapters so giving you the heads up now so you can start assembling this input and if you want send it over to me and I'll insert it similar to the A5 text you just sent. Cc'ing Jackie who was on the A10 call.

Re. GLEC comments on the PRP, we've received comments from ON (most I've incorporated – couple others I need to address); just got comments from DFO (which I need to look at); and those comments from C. Masson (observer who also cc'ed Lynzi I believe – but not sure there is anything in her comments for me to incorporate but will look it over again).

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If it makes sense, you could include ...

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